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Methods for Operating a Spark-Ignition Internal

Combustion Engine

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 22, 2007, Applicants provisionally elect Group I, (Claims 1-5, 8, 9 and 10), without prejudice to their right to file one or more divisional applications covering the subject matter of the remaining claims.

If there are any questions regarding this response or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and Serial No. 10/527,457 Amendment Dated: April 23, 2007 Reply to Office Action dated March 22, 2007 Attorney Docket No. 095309.56010US

please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket # 095309.56010US).

Respectfully submitted,

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